

**HARDWARE SETUP METHOD**  
**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The current invention proposes a method, system, and data processing system program product to perform a hardware setup operation without installing a hardware setup program on the target data processing system. Stored in a server 12 are a hardware setup program 15 for performing the hardware setup of a data processing system 14 to be set up for hardware, dynamic link modules 16 for hardware setup used by the program 15 at the time of executing the hardware setup program, and a small program 17. The data processing system 14 accesses the server 12 through a network 11 to execute the small program 17 on the server 12. The program 17 transfers the dynamic link modules 16 for hardware setup to the data processing system 14, and thereafter it executes the hardware setup program 15 on the memory of the data processing system 14 while maintaining the program itself on the server 12.